

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT:

Youth Advancement, Tourism and Cultural Affairs Department - Department of Culture – Classical Languages – Declaration of Telugu and Kannada as Classical Languages by Government of India - WP filed by Sri R. Gandhi, Senior Advocate in the High Court of Madras against Government of India – Appointment of Sri C. Ravindranath, Advocate in the High Court of Madras as Counsel for Government of Andhra Pradesh – Orders - Issued.

YOUTH ADVANCEMENT, TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

GO Rt No. 422

Dated 05-05-2010

READ the Following

- 1) From Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Letter No.802/OL.I/2006, dated 24.11.2007 addressed to the Prime Minister of India.
- 2) Govt of India's Notification No.2-16/2004-Akademies, dt 31.10.2010.

ORDER:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh requested the Government of India for recognition of Telugu Language as "Classical Language" in the letter first read above.

Government of India created a new category of Languages as "Classical Languages" vide Notification No.IV-14014/7/2004-NI-II, dated 12th October, 2004 read with the Corrigendum Notification of even number dated 29th October, 2004 and Notification of even number dated 25th November, 2005 and laid down the following criteria to determine the eligibility of languages to be considered for classification as a "Classical Language":

- 1) High antiquity of its early texts/recorded history over a period of 1500-2000 years.
- 2) A body of ancient literature / texts, which is considered a valuable heritage by generations of speakers.
- 3) The literary tradition be original and not borrowed from another speech community.
- 4) The classical language and literature being distinct from modern, there may also be a discontinuity between the classical language and its later forms or its offshoots.

The Government of India, having referred the representations received from a wide spectrum of political and civil opinion from both Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh for declaration of Kannada and Telugu languages as Classical Languages to a Committee of Linguistic Experts and based on the recommendations of the Committee in the light of the criteria indicated at Para (2) above, issued a Notification on 31st October, 2008 classifying 'Telugu Language' and 'Kannada Language' as "Classical Languages", subject to the decision in the Writ Petition No.18810/2008 in the High Court of Judicature at Madras.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh with a view to implead in the High Court of Madras for obtaining orders confirming the "Classical Language Status to Telugu" already conferred by Government of India, hereby appoint Sri C. Ravindranath, Advocate, High Court of Madras to pursue the case on behalf of Government of Andhra Pradesh by taking all necessary steps for disposal of the said Writ Petition in favour of Government of Andhra Pradesh.

The fees / remuneration to Sri C. Ravindranath shall be as per the fees structure of Tamil Nadu Government Law Officers Appointment & Conditions of Service Rules.

The Director of Culture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is directed to interact with Sri C. Ravindranath, Advocate, High Court of Madras, in this regard from time to time and extend necessary assistance till the case is disposed off.

This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expdr.GAD-II) Department, vide their UO No.5276/56/Expr.GAD-II)/A1/10, dated 4.3.2010.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr S Chellappa
Principal Secretary to Government

To
Sri C. Ravindranath,
Senior Advocate, High Court of Madras,
Chennai.

The Director of Culture, AP, Hyderabad.

Copy to: The GA (OL) Dept
 The Pay & Accounts Officer, AP, Hyderabad.
 The Accountant General, AP, Hyderabad.
 The Treasury Officer, Hyderabad.

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